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Comment of the day

The future of Labour

THE Liberal Party had its troubles in the past with the result that as a real political entity it ceased to exist as an effective force in Britain and eventually almost total disintegration brought it to the position in which it finds itself today.

It is trying to rejuvenate the strength which it once had and while at the last General Elections there was no indication that its policies were gaining support to any great degree there is now greater hope that they will drain off a measure of the splinter voter in the Labour movement.

This may be wishful thinking on the part of the Liberal leaders, but as long as the Labour Party is bent upon destroying its very foundations the hope must nevertheless be considered as a real threat to the Parliamentary Opposition.

DISUNITY in any organization, whether it be political or otherwise, can only lead to self-destruction unless the leader or leaders can either compromise or relinquish the principles for which they are fighting.

Mr Gaitskell and the Parliamentary Labour Party are at least determined to go down fighting, but the left-wing is apparently gaining more ground at the expense of the more practical and realistic right.

Mr Cousins showed his strength at the October annual conference; the ultra-leftists have been barred from the party; in the House of Commons and latterly the Young Socialists have seen fit to ignore the more sober leaders who see no sense in demanding the unilateral renunciation of all nuclear weapons without proper safeguards.

THAT the Young Socialist vote calling for Mr Gaitskell's resignation should follow the Co-operative Party's reaffirmation of its opposition to nuclear weapons and a demand that Britain abandon its military pacts, including Nato and Seato, is ominous.

It would be hard to judge how much opposition there is to the nuclear weapon question and how much resentment there is to Mr Gaitskell's flouting of the October conference ruling.

IT is not beyond the bounds of possibility that the latter is the greatest cause for alarm within the party ranks. If the anti-Gaitskell faction keeps harping long enough then it is hard to see how the leaders can hope to weld the party into a political machine capable of calling itself an effective unit.

It is evident, too, that Mr Cousins has no intention of letting the matter drop and he has made it quite clear that individuals in the unions will not be allowed to vote as they wish on the nuclear weapons problem as a separate item, for to do so would deprive him of the power he has gained at the expense of unity and the welfare of the party.

Wife tells reporters 'no chance of living' McCANN FLOWN TO MANILA

Press conference held at Kai Tak

Mr Robert E. McCann, the cancer-stricken American who was freed by the Chinese from a Tientsin jail last Monday, left for Clark Field, Manila, by an American Air Force plane this morning.

Mrs McCann, who went to China to accompany her sick husband back to freedom, told Pressmen before leaving that Mr McCann's condition was very critical.

Macmillan tells senators he is optimistic

Washington, Apr. 6. Mr Harold Macmillan was quoted as telling senators at a luncheon today that he was optimistic about the prospects for a peaceful settlement in Laos.

Senator Sparkman (Democrat, Alabama), who attended the luncheon, said the Prime Minister was optimistic about "several" situations in various parts of the world. The senator did not say what were the other situations referred to by Mr Macmillan.

The luncheon was given in Mr Macmillan's honour by Senator William Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

On his arrival at the capital building, Mr Macmillan was applauded by tourists visiting the capitol. He was accompanied by the Earl of Home, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Harold Caccia, the Ambassador.

Mr Macmillan and Lord Home discussed Laos and other problems in East-West relations during the luncheon.

Senator Sparkman who left the luncheon before it was over, said the meeting with the Prime Minister was "very friendly and very nice."

"I would say they both seemed to be optimistic over Laos," he went on. "I thought the Prime Minister was rather optimistic in his viewpoint about several situations we discussed."

COALITION The senator, asked if there was discussion of the possibility that Communists would join a coalition government in Laos, said the issue was not discussed in precisely those terms.

"But it is my understanding that the Pathet Lao are Communists and therefore I assume it would mean including some of them," he said.

Senator Sparkman also quoted Mr Macmillan as saying that Nato was in very good condition.

He said that Mr Macmillan observed that problems of relative strength between Nato and the Soviet Union, weapons, and other military problems were always matter of argument and dispute between generals and admirals.

"But he thinks it is in very good shape," Senator Sparkman said.—Reuters.

PAPER ROBBED

New York, Apr. 6. Three bandits escaped today with \$62,001 from the New York Daily News' Brooklyn plant.

The robbers handcuffed cashier Harry Gelb, 47, and Bernard Ritzer, 39, and fled with a \$52,001 payroll and \$10,000 in collections. Neither was harmed.—AP.

Salon, Apr. 6. Communist terrorists yesterday set fire to 150atched houses at the village of Ho Nai, 30 miles east of Hanoi, the Vietnam news agency reported today.

No casualties were reported.—Reuters.

She said: "His condition is extremely serious. It will be a very short time. There's no chance of his living."

Mr McCann crossed the border at Loiui shortly after noon yesterday and immediately went to St Teresa's Hospital for a medical examination.

Unfit

It was found that he was unfit for travel and he was given a blood transfusion during his stay at the hospital.

Shortly before 11 am today, Mr McCann was taken by St John ambulance to the airport to board the waiting aircraft for Manila.

As he was being taken aboard the plane by stretcher carried by a team of St John Ambulance attendants, a solution of dextrose was being administered to give him strength for the flight.

Mr McCann was accompanied in his flight to Manila by a flight surgeon of the American Air Force. The plane took off from Kai Tak at 11.15 am.

Mrs McCann, who was suffering from strain and exhaustion yesterday, this morning met newsmen at the airport before her husband was taken aboard the aircraft.

She thought that her husband's condition was aggravated by the long journey from Peking to the Hongkong border but added: "Our object was to get him out and we had no alternative."

She said her husband was well looked after by the Chinese Red Cross during the journey and everything was being done to expedite her departure for home.

She said her husband was lying on a stretcher during the whole train journey and it was tied safely to the seats of a coach.

He smiled

Mrs McCann said her husband knew that he was a free man and was travelling home. She said just before crossing the border, she repeatedly told him that within an hour he would be a free man and "My husband smiled and said that he knew," she said.

Asked whether her husband cherished any bitterness about his treatment at the hands of the Chinese, Mrs McCann said her husband did not discuss this matter.

She said Mr McCann suffered a damaged brain which was part of a general condition brought about by cancer.

At times he was in a coma while at other times his mind was clear, she said.

Mrs McCann said her husband told her nothing of his feelings about the espionage charge that brought him a 15-year jail term.

She said: "I can't say because I do not know. He did not tell me." However, she added that her husband was well looked after whilst in prison, specially during the past two years.

On holiday

Her husband was taken on a holiday to Peking in June last year, she said.

But, she said, her husband's imprisonment and treatment was a minor matter when she saw him. "We were concerned only in getting him back home," she said.

Mrs McCann said she had made no definite plan after getting to Manila. She had cabled to meet them at the Air Force Hospital.

Mrs McCann was seen off at Kai Tak today by Mrs Robin de Lange of the British Red Cross, Mrs Donald Glenison of the American Red Cross and Mr J. Carrigle, a field

doctor attached to the American Red Cross.

The same three had travelled to the border yesterday to meet Mr and Mrs McCann, and accompanied them to hospital.

An ambulance man administering a glucose solution to Mr McCann as he was carried aboard the aircraft at Kai Tak this morning. Picture below shows Mrs McCann being interviewed by reporters at the airport.



GUNMEN ASSASSINATE HOSPITAL PATIENT

Paris, Apr. 6. Algerian gunmen raided a Paris hospital tonight and killed two people and injured 12 after assassinating a Moslem patient.

The hospital in the Paris suburb of Montgermeil was attacked by terrorist commandos who drove up in a taxi.

Three men, wearing raincoats, entered the building and hurried up to the first floor where Algerian victims of a recent clash between the Liberation Front (FLN) and Nationalist Movement (MNA) lay in a surgical ward.

They shot down a police guard in the corridor outside, seized his submachine gun and killed him with his own weapon.

Then they hurried from room to room, spraying bullets at everyone they encountered.

GIRL HURT

Among those wounded were seven-year-old Martine Petit, a French girl, and her father who sat at her bedside.

The girl's mother, who flung herself across the bed to try and protect her daughter, was wounded in the leg.

Altogether 12 patients in the hospital were wounded. Five were reported in serious condition.

The raiders then forced their way into another room, where Mohamed Talba, an Algerian, was under treatment. They poured shots into his bed. He

died within the hour. Another Algerian in the room hid under his bed and was not spotted.

As they rushed from the building, the men knocked out a ward attendant with the butt of their submachine gun and struck a nurse.

SHOT DOWN Two policemen, who tried to bar their passage as they crossed the yard, were shot down too. Both were wounded in the feet.

The three men leaped into their waiting taxi, where two comrades had waited with the driver throughout the raid. The taxi made off at full speed.

Later a taxi was stopped by a police barrage and its Algerian driver was taken away for questioning. It was not known if there were any passengers in his car.

Mohamed Talba, the Algerian who was fatally shot in the hospital, is understood to have been a member of the MNA, the smaller nationalist movement.

While Jean Verdier, head of the Surete Nationale, visited the hospital last night, armed police surrounded an Algerian workers' hostel in the suburb of Bondy, where it was believed two of the wanted men were hiding.

Police believe the hospital raid has a direct connection with last Monday's attack on a cafe at Livry-Gargan, where rival gangs of Algerians exchanged fire.

The only victim on that occasion was the French son of the cafe owner, who was killed by a stray bullet.—AP.

Happy Easter

Miami, Apr. 6. Guests at an oceanfront hotel thought the orange juice served at breakfast on Easter morning was extra good. One guest drank three glasses.

Not until Wednesday did the hotel owner, Sammy Marana, discover why it was so popular. Orange juice drinkers actually got a subtly potent mixture of orange juice and vodka.

Marana said a servant hurried into the walk-in refrigerator and picked up two gallons jugs of the ready-mixed vodka drink made up for a cocktail party, instead of the orange juice.—AP.

Algerian talks on brink of collapse

Tunis, Apr. 6. The biggest attempt made so far to end the six-and-a-half-year-old nationalist uprising in Algeria was on the brink of collapse tonight on the eve of the scheduled start of Franco-Algerian peace talks.

The two sides appeared in a complete stalemate after a spokesman of the insurgent government (FLN) here had "no comment" to make on a French Cabinet statement which observers said did not contain the reaffirmation sought by the FLN that they should be "the main representatives of Algeria's nine million Moslems."

France and the FLN last Thursday agreed to meet at Evian, on the banks of Lake Geneva, tomorrow for talks to end the uprising and establish the condition of Algerian self-determination.

Rival group

But later that day the French Minister for Algerian Affairs, Mr Louis Joxe, said he would meet a rival Algerian nationalist group, the Algerian National Movement—described by the FLN as "colonialist lackeys"—"as I will meet with the FLN."

Observers said today's French Cabinet statement would confirm FLN fears that France intended to make the rival nationalist group play a serious role in any talks on Algeria's future.

Informed sources said tonight that if the next few days brought no change in the French position, the FLN was expected to publish the detailed accounts of the preliminary secret talks held in Switzerland since January between French and FLN emissaries which led to last week's agreement to meet at Evian.

Sources close to the FLN said here this week that such publication "would put the blame squarely on France for the Evian failure and reveal the full extent of her bad faith and insincerity."

The sources said that France gave a formal pledge at the pre-Evian contacts not to try to turn the peace talks into a round-table conference of all Algerian tendencies.

"It looks as if things are back where they started and that the war must go on," was a frequent comment heard in Tunis tonight. Observers expected the course taken by events could prompt a United States mediation bid in the crisis. This possibility was fore-shadowed by last Monday's talks here between the United States Ambassador in Tunis and two leading FLN ministers.—Reuters.

Rebel wants to talk

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 6. Capt. Henrique Galvao, the Portuguese rebel who seized the luxury liner Santa Maria last January, is thinking of taking a trip to the United States in a few weeks to lecture against the Lisbon regime.

Galvao has asked the U.S. Consulate what he needed to do to get a visa for a visit to the United States.

He is also seeking a special passport from the Brazilian Foreign Ministry.

Meanwhile, his partner in seeking to overthrow Salazar, Humberto Delgado is reported planning a voyage to Paris to do some similar talking.

Both Galvao and Delgado have been granted asylum in Brazil.—AP.

Nauseous

London, Apr. 6. A traveller on London's underground system today told the Evening Standard that when he tried to pay his fare before sleeping on a train, a sign informed him: "Staff sick. Pay at the other end."

When he reached his destination the man said, he was greeted by another sign: "Staff sick. Pay at the other end."—UPI.

'PAY CONGO COSTS OR LOSE VOTING RIGHTS' Australia invokes UN Charter against Russia

United Nations, Apr. 6.
Mr T. W. Cutts, Australia's financial expert in the U.N. General Assembly, invoked U.N. Charter provisions in a threat today to deprive the Soviet bloc and Franco of U.N. voting rights if they do not pay assessed costs of the Congo operation.

Mr Cutts is the elected reporter for the Assembly's budget committee as well as Australia's spokesman in that 99-nation group.

PARROT SPILLS THE BEANS

London, Apr. 6.
"Polly Jolley", a parrot, was safely back home today after blurring out vital clues which helped police recover 200 rare birds—with Polly Jolley—stolen from a private zoo last weekend.

But Polly—part of the £700 worth of feathered loot—did not talk until he had been said twice and travelled more than 30 miles from his Hockliffe, Bedfordshire, home.

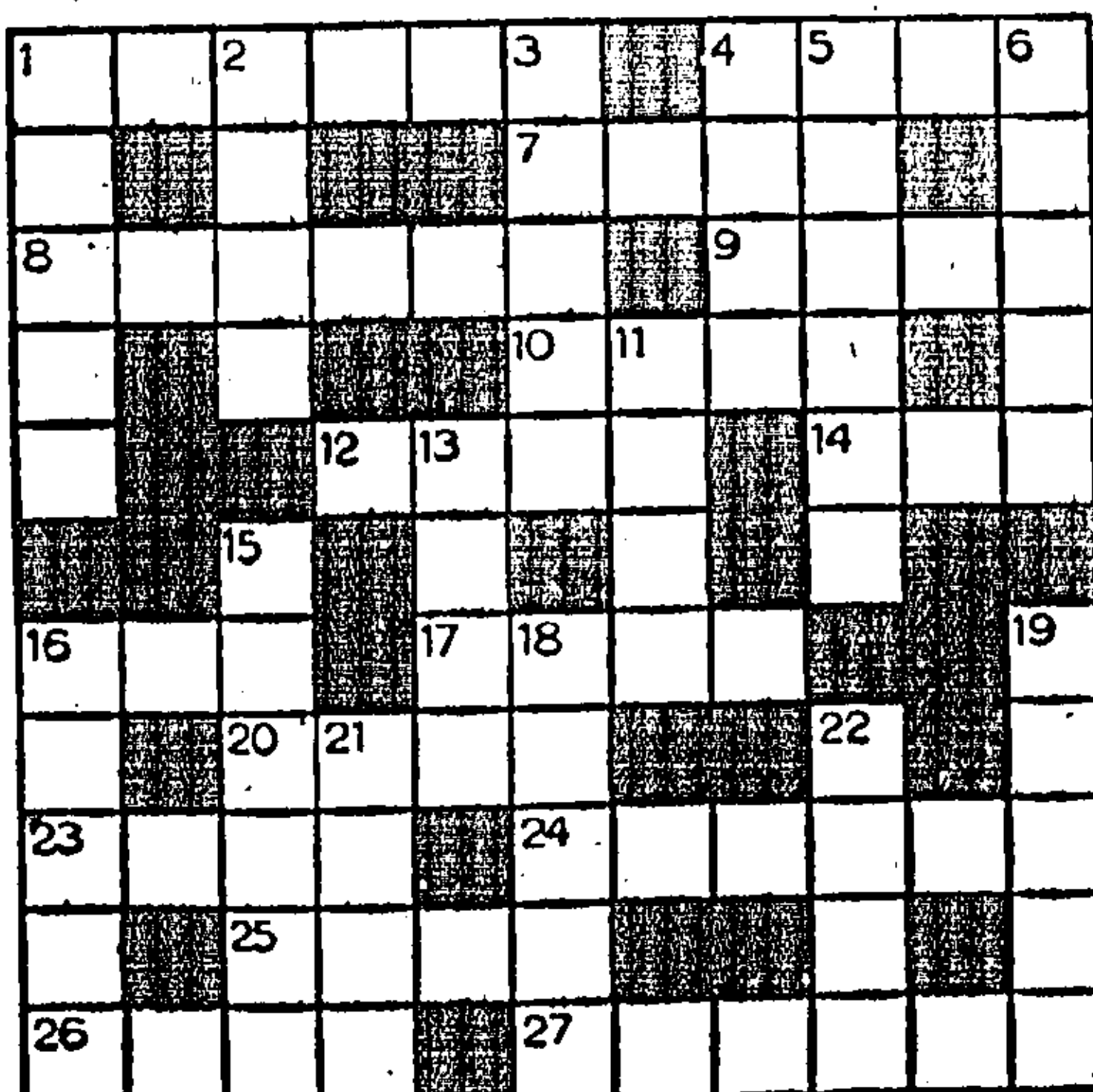
Then he told the manager of a London store's pet department the name and address of his owner, Mr John Jolley.

Mr Jolley was contacted and police called in. They visited an Egham, Surrey, bird dealer who said he had bought the birds, including Polly, for £101 on Monday.

The police moved on to Southampton and were last night questioning a man. Polly, a 10-year-old Amazonian parrot, seemed to have taken no chances. Mr H. Judge, the Egham dealer, said the parrot breathed no word of his identity to him.

Mr Jolley added today: "If Polly had started telling his name and address to the wrong people they might have wronged his neck."—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- | ACROSS | DOWN |
|-------------------|------------|
| 1 Engaging | 1 Moist |
| 2 Catch | 2 Clear |
| 3 Beech | 3 Herbage |
| 4 Gorge | 4 Flare |
| 5 Girl | 5 Perform |
| 6 Hurled | 6 Lever |
| 7 Lick | 7 Indigent |
| 8 Measure | 8 Girl |
| 9 Hostility | 9 Quiver |
| 10 Nimble | 10 Vigil |
| 11 Beside | 11 Man |
| 12 Period | 12 Animal |
| 13 Characteristic | 13 Support |
| 14 Monster | 14 Rude |
| 15 Putrid | |

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: — Across: 1 Heats, 4 Pines, 7 Hit, 8 Lovers, 11 Grab, 12 Ham, 13 Prevent, 16 Aspirin, 18 Hit, 19 Tim, 20 Pains, 23 S, 24 Dream, 25 Knees. Down: 1 Half-hearted, 2 The, 3 Sir, 5 Worse, 6 Substitutes, 8 Ties, 10 Vim, 13 Far, 14 Eon, 15 Pride, 17 Japs, 18 Pies, 21 Auk, 22 Ten.

Wharfies fined for contempt

Melbourne, Apr. 6.
The Waterside Workers' Federation was fined £A500, the maximum penalty, in the Commonwealth Industrial Court today for contempt of court.

The charge arose from a one-day wharf stoppage in Melbourne on March 15. Counsel for the federation was reprimanded by the court when he said the federation would hold stoppages if considered necessary, no matter what the court or the law said. The federation pleaded guilty to having failed to comply with a court order on April 13 last year prohibiting it from taking part in any strike or ban on work.

It was summoned before the court by the Commonwealth Steamship Owners' Association, ESSENTIAL.

The federation had previously been fined a total of £A2,600 since last May for contempt of court over stoppages.

Mr N. Docker, the federation's industrial officer, told the court that the offence concerned a one-day stoppage for an essential meeting of members.

There was no way of getting leave for the urgent meeting, he said.

The meeting took place after a day of unsuccessful negotiation with employers over industrial matters.—China Mail Special.

UN troops to get tough

Elisabethville, Apr. 6.
United Nations senior officers in Elisabethville were given new "get tough" orders at their daily briefing today, one of the officers said.

The officer confirmed that UN headquarters in Leopoldville had instructed that Indian Gurkha troops would be flown to Elisabethville immediately if Katanga forces attempted to recapture the airport.

Two other officers said the orders were that in the event of an attack, Irish troops would seal off the airport and its approaches and hold it until the Indians had the time to fly in and occupy the city.—AP.

London, Apr. 6.
Chaufeur George Woolridge, of Barking, Essex, had to be at work early the other day.

Carefully he put all his clocks forward by one hour on Saturday night.

What he didn't know was that his wife had done the same thing before going to bed. George was up before dawn. —London Express Service.

67 degrees below zero

BOY SCOUTS LIVED UNDER EXTREME ARCTIC WEATHER

New York, Apr. 6.
An 18-year-old boy scout from Korsor, Denmark, today related experiences encountered while living in an underground "snow city" in Greenland about 800 miles from the North Pole.

Russia hits at recent German appointment

Moscow, Apr. 6.
Russia today complained to West Germany about the appointment of Lieutenant General Friedrich Forstsch as Inspector General of the Bundeswehr, Tass reported.

Mr Vladimir Semenov, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, summoned Mr Heinrich Schöhl, West German Charge d'Affaires, to express his government's view that the appointment of this war criminal was an arrogant and unfriendly act towards Russia and other European countries who suffered from Nazi aggression.

General Forstsch was appointed to the post last February 23.

ATROCITIES

The Tass statement said:

"Mr Semenov said that the federal government could not be ignorant of the fact that Forstsch, holding leading posts in the Nazi army, took part in the bandit aggression against the Soviet Union and was personally one of the most active organisers of the atrocities committed on Soviet territory temporarily occupied by him."

"He also recalled, that Forstsch had been condemned to 25 years imprisonment and had been released before his sentence was completed by the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. in 1955 and handed over together with other German criminals to the federal German authorities....

"Obviously, the federal government should have taken steps to ensure that Forstsch and other criminals like him would never be able to regain positions of influence or to lay their hands on weapons again," the statement said.—Reuter.



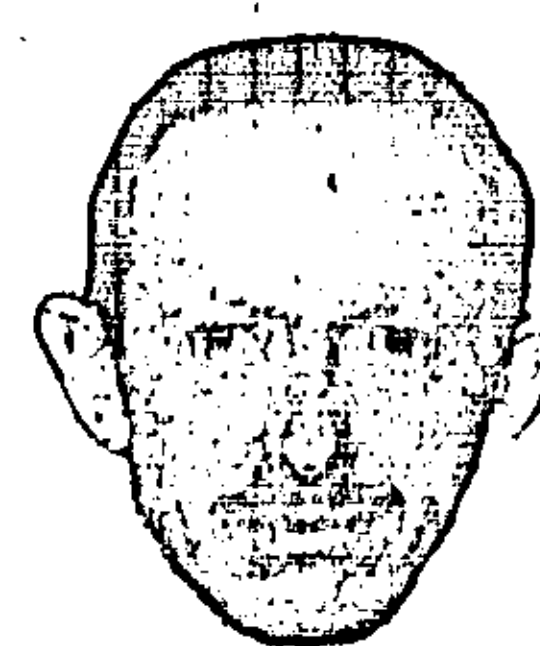
Picture shows: The Shah of Persia with his 22-year-old third wife Queen Farah and their son, Prince Reza. Reza celebrated his fifth birthday on March 31. It was only the week before that the Persian Royal Court announced that Queen Farah is expecting her second child.—Express photo.

Salisbury leaves African company

London, Apr. 6.
Lord Salisbury resigned from the board of the British South Africa Company today, further widening of the breach between him and the Government he helped create.

The Marquess resigned on "medical advice", the company announced. Political quarters saw the action, however, as a logical sequence in the split between Lord Salisbury and the Prime Minister, Mr Macmillan, over the Government's African policies.

Lord Salisbury, the man who persuaded the Queen to nominate Mr Macmillan as her Prime Minister five years ago when most signs pointed to Mr R. A. Butler, broke with the Conservative Party a month ago on African questions. He objected to a proposed constitutional revision giving Africans a stronger voice in the Government of Northern Rhodesia.



Lord Salisbury

To show his displeasure, the Marquess refused to run for election as president of the Hertford constituency Conservative Association.

"I do not think it would be right for me to accept office in an organisation which exists to support the Government while I am in such strong disagreement with its policy on a major issue," the 67-year-old peer said at the time.

To Lord Salisbury, the Macmillan policy in Africa which recognises a "wind of change" is perilous. He views the Government's course as "fraught with danger."

The British South Africa Company has heavy investments in Rhodesia particularly and holds important mining concessions throughout central Africa. Salisbury, the Rhodesian capital, was named after the present peer's grandfather.

In disassociating from the company, the Marquess broke a family relationship of several generations with the central African business and industrial world.

Whether the Marquess took this action in order to erase a conflict of interest—to drop business contact with the area in order to pursue his outspoken political views on Africa—was not known.—AP.

New York, Apr. 6.

The mongrel dog may be on the way out—thanks to "planned puppyhood" for dogs.

A leading American pharmaceutical firm said today it will soon market an oral contraceptive for dogs.

Pet owners and breeders would simply feed the contraceptive until the right dog came along.—AP.

STRANGE PARTICLES STUDIED

Meteorite may have brought bugs from outer space

Washington, Apr. 6.
A U.S. government scientist reported today that strange particles found in a fallen meteorite "probably" were of earthly origin but the possibility that they were "bugs" from outer space could not be ruled out.

Dr Frederick Siler, a microbiologist of the U.S. Geological Survey, described joint research with Dr Walter Newton, head of the germ-free laboratory of the National Institutes of Health.

Dr Siler told a reporter that organic material recovered from a meteorite that fell at Murray, Kentucky, in 1959 had produced chemical changes in a test tube medium and also had been seen microscopically as "small, twisted, little rods" that look something like twisted sausages. They measure only between 8 and 10 millionths of an inch.

KEPT REAPPEARING

He said the same chemical changes—that is, discoloration and turbidity of the medium—was shown in several successive transfers of material to other test tubes, and that the strange particles also kept reappearing.

"We can't say that we have anything that is alive," Dr Siler said.

But he added that if there is anything alive, "it is not similar to common soil organisms found in the earth."

Dr Siler said the Murray meteorite, unlike many other meteorites that have been studied, is relatively non-porous—making it less likely to be contaminated on the inside by ordinary soil organisms.

"If what we are studying is actually something alive, it's probably a terrestrial bug, but a very small one that can work its way inside a dense material like the Murray meteorite," the scientist said.

However, he contended that the material "could be of extraterrestrial origin—that is, anything is possible."

The only way to give strength to such a concept would be to rule out entirely the possibility.

Conscience money

London, Apr. 6.
Conscience-stricken Britons enrich the Treasury by more than £2,000 a year, a Treasury official said today.

"Conscience money" daily trickles in to the Treasury—usually anonymously.

"We get about £35 to £40 a week this way," an official said.

Usually it's money that Britons have dodged paying in income tax or excise duty, he said.

"It is a curious thing, but it does not gather momentum at any time, Christmas or the Budget. Just a steady trickle," the official said.

Some people like the Treasury to publish an acknowledgment, such as today, when the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, in a newspaper ad thanked someone known only as "H.V." for £200 "conscience money."—UPI.

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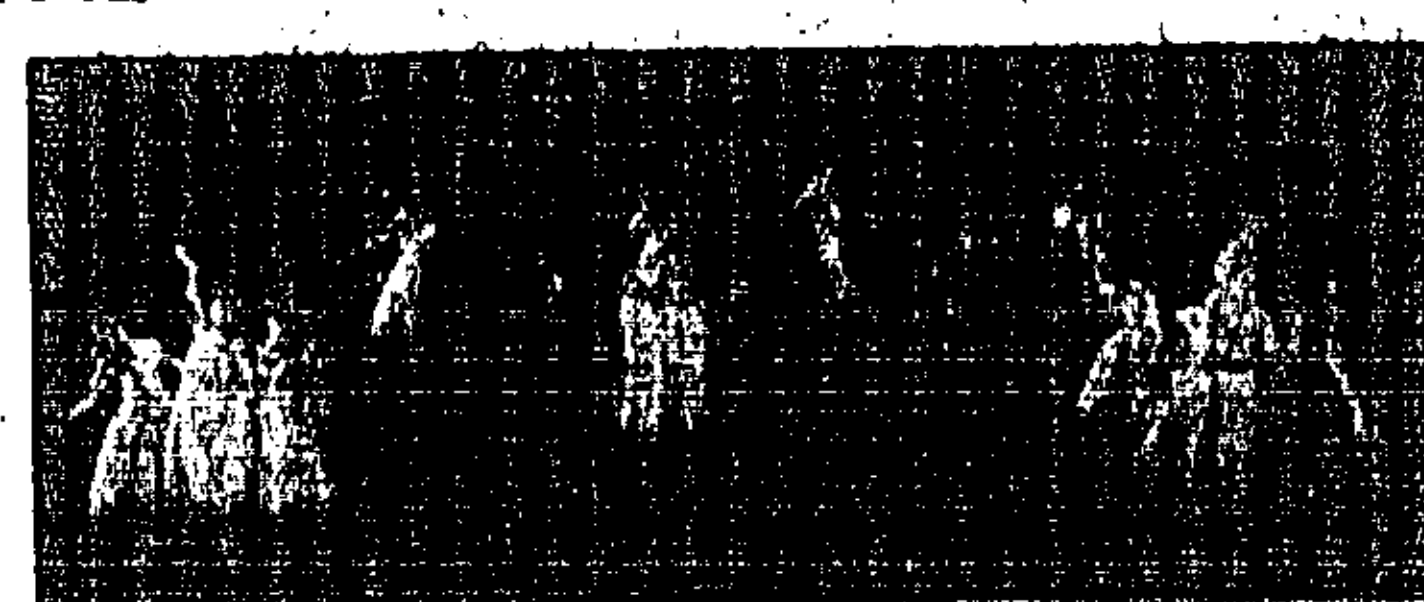
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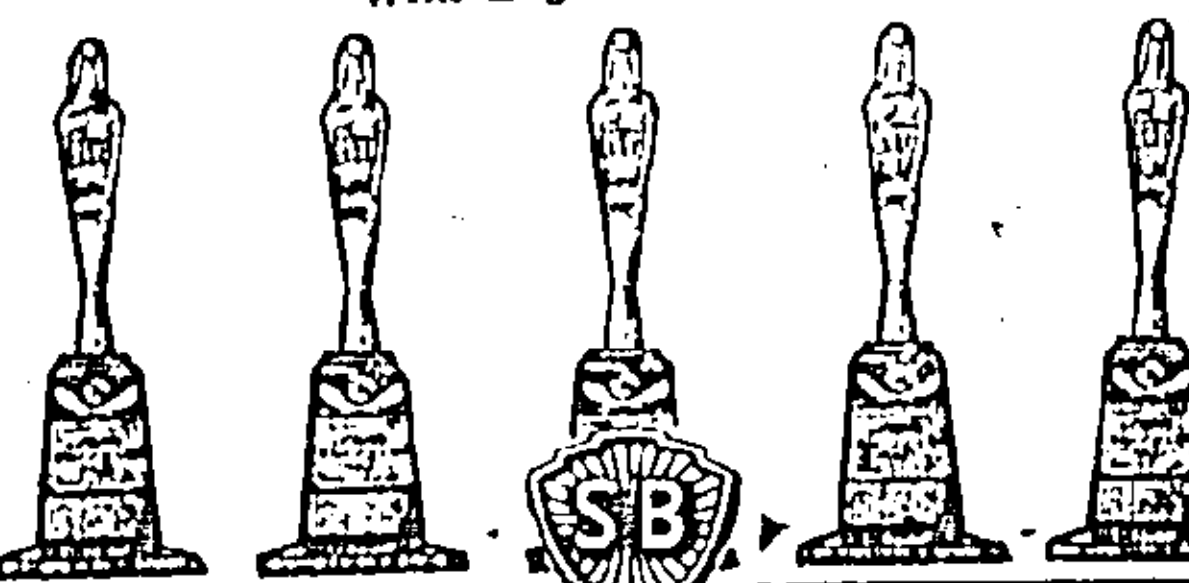
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What school teachers think of soap operas

Blackpool, Apr. 6.
Many television soap commercials "seem to imply that the only reason for washing and bathing is to attract the opposite sex" a schoolmaster complained here.

He was speaking at the annual conference of the 2,000 member National Association of Schoolmasters.

The conference passed by a large majority a resolution calling for censorship of television programmes and advertisements likely to be seen by children.

On television advertisements, another speaker said "It is

time somebody said that it would be better to be more honest than honest than whiter than white."

One teacher thought television westerns should be censored.

"Life in the wild west may have been rough, crude and savage but brutality begets brutality," he said.—China Mail Special.

Food plea censored Letter from China was blank

A refugee from China, working now as an electrical fitter in the Colony, was overjoyed yesterday at receiving a letter postmarked in Canton and addressed in the handwriting of his sister.

HK firms to take part in US fair

Seattle, Apr. 6.
Hongkong will help the Washington State International Trade Fair celebrate its tenth birthday when the 1961 exposition opens in Seattle on April 20 for 11 days.

For the third time in its history, the Trade Fair will be moving to larger quarters and there will be an increase in space of almost 50 per cent over previous exhibition areas this year.

The International Trade Fair was originated 11 years ago when an all-Japanese festival was held in Seattle. The event was so successful that it was expanded in 1952 to include more than 20 nations.

Since that time Hongkong manufacturers and merchandisers have been active participants in the fair with the 1960 Hongkong Government exhibit being one of the highlights of the show.

This year Hongkong firms have planned 12 booths. Exhibitors represented will include Champion Plastics Manufacturing Co., J. L. George & Co., Kelly International Corp., Modeste Clothiers, Oriental Silks and Treasure Jade Factory.

Mr. Luther H. Hodges, U. S. Secretary of Commerce, will officially open the exposition on April 20.

He had not heard from his family for a long time. In a previous letter, the sister had written at length of the poor rations and hunger prevailing in their home town of Shiu Hing, Kwangtung Province.

He tore open the envelope, lifted out the neatly folded letter — and found himself staring at a blank sheet of paper!

On closer examination he found that the letter had been censored — not in the ordinary "inking-out" method — but had apparently been dipped in an ink-erasing solution. When dried, all writing on the letter disappeared, leaving a light yellow stain.

Even closer examination revealed, however, four faded Chinese characters at one corner of the paper. These stated:

"Please send these articles and medicines quickly, as they are needed badly for use in our family."

FOOTNOTE: In the previous letter, the fitter had been urgently requested to send rock sugar and peanut oil.

'Black Arrows' to be replaced

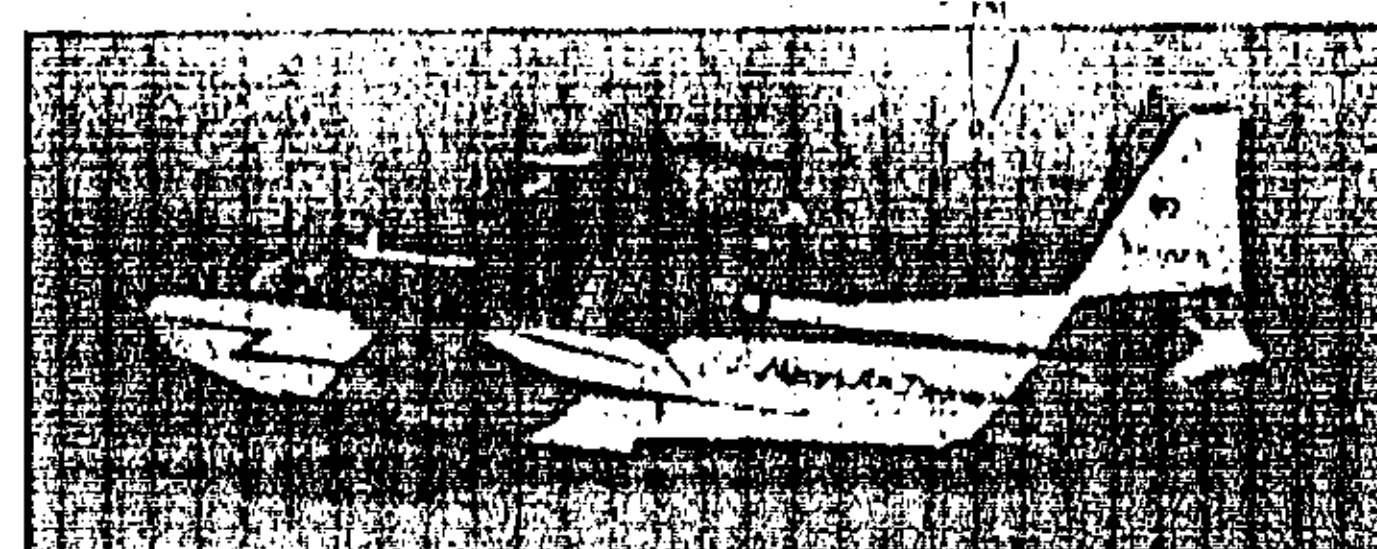
London, Apr. 6.
The nine Hunter, jets of 92 Squadron are taking over the services chief aerobatic duties from the world travelled "Black Arrows" of Squadron 111, the Air Ministry announced here today.

Instead of the black painted planes of Squadron 111, future air displays will see number 92 Squadron's royal blue planes with their white flash line and red yellow chequerboard markings.

The badge shows a striking cobra — in recognition of the fact that in World War II number 92 was an "East India" squadron — and a maple leaf.

Formed in World War I, it fought right through the second world war over Britain and in North Africa and Europe gaining many battle honours.

The squadron recently returned from Cyprus to Middleton Saint George, County Durham, in northern England. — China Mail Special.



AIRCRAFT FOR MACAO FLIGHTS DUE TOMORROW

A small ivory-and-red Piaggio aircraft for the new Hongkong-Macao air service will arrive on board ms Triton early tomorrow morning.

The 2.2-ton Italian plane, owned by the Macao Air Transport (HK) Ltd, is 35 feet long and 50 feet in wing-span. It cost \$700,000.

It will arrive fully assembled and safely secured on deck under a big sheet of canvas.

The firm is prepared to purchase more aircraft if demand justifies such a step.

Speed

The Piaggio-L2 Piaggio, powered with two super-charged American Lycoming engines of 340 hp each, has a cruising speed of 180 mph.

"The propellers mounted behind the wing (pusher) type have the advantage of reduced vibration and noise," said the captain.

The fare will be \$50 for a single trip and \$100 return.

P.I. SOPRANO A DIPLOMAT

A Filipino concert soprano who is now the Philippines Cultural Attaché in Tokyo, left by Air-India last night to take up her post there.

Miss Daisay J. Aldaba's previous diplomatic post was the Philippine's Cultural Attaché in New York, a job which she held last year.

Pakistan denial

Rawalpindi, Apr. 6.
Pakistan's Minister for tribal areas, General K. M. Sheikh said that only two houses owned by Afghan agents which served as ammunition dumps were destroyed by Pakistan bombers in the Dir state bordering Pakistan.

Sheikh denied that the assistant political agent in Dir state was killed by tribesmen or that the Bajaur area was bombed.

Sanctuary

Remick Montand Dillman

A CinemaScope Picture

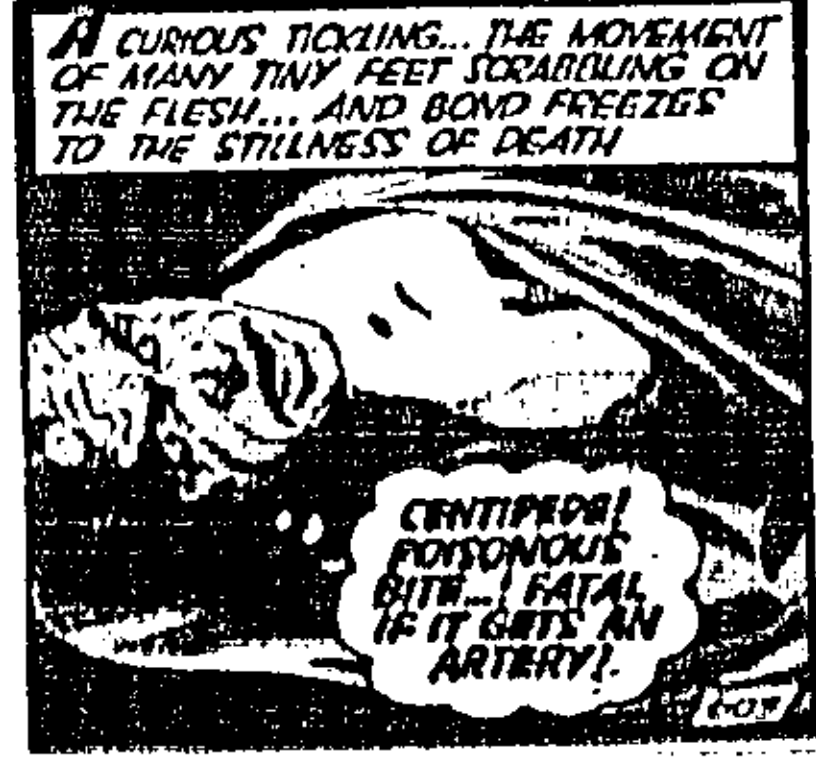
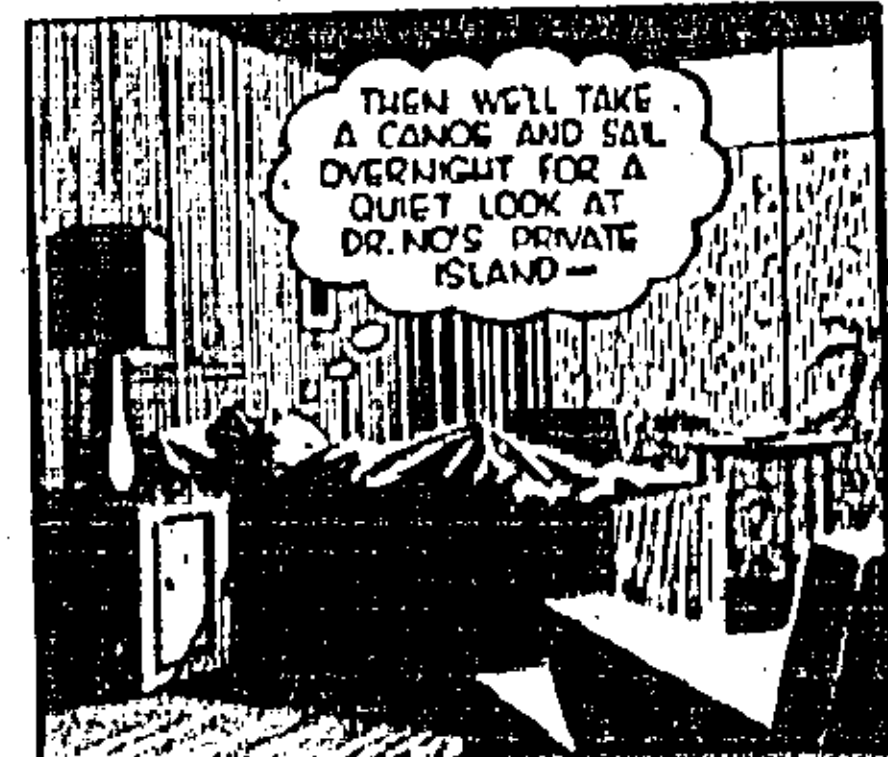
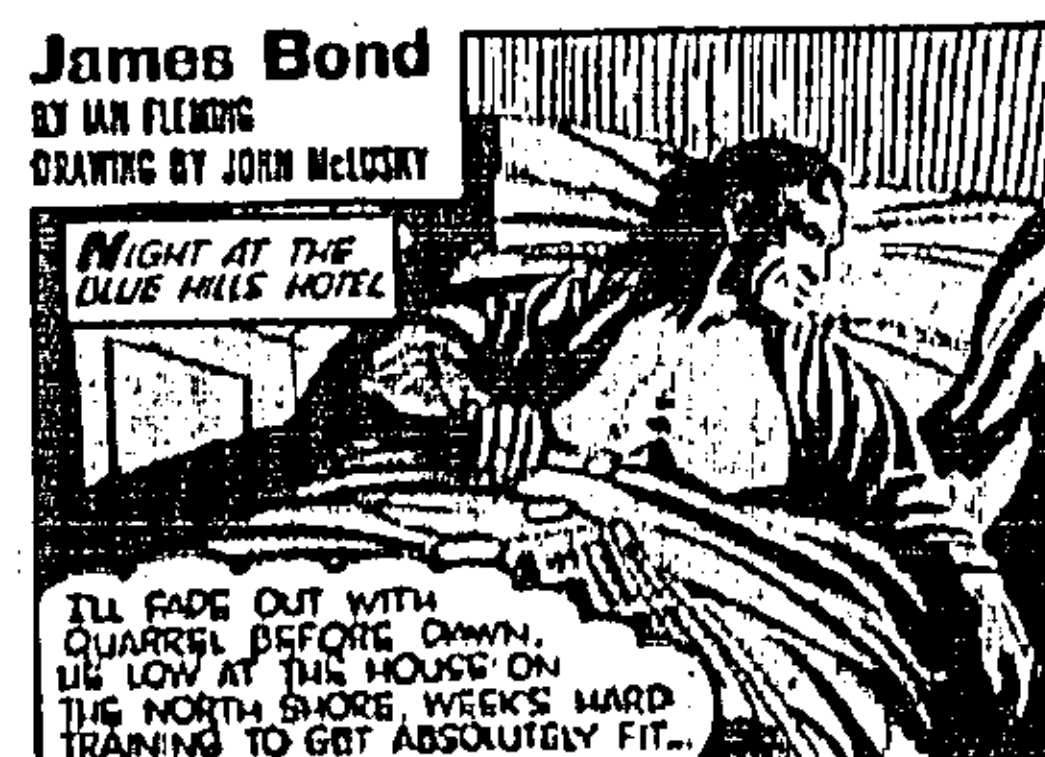
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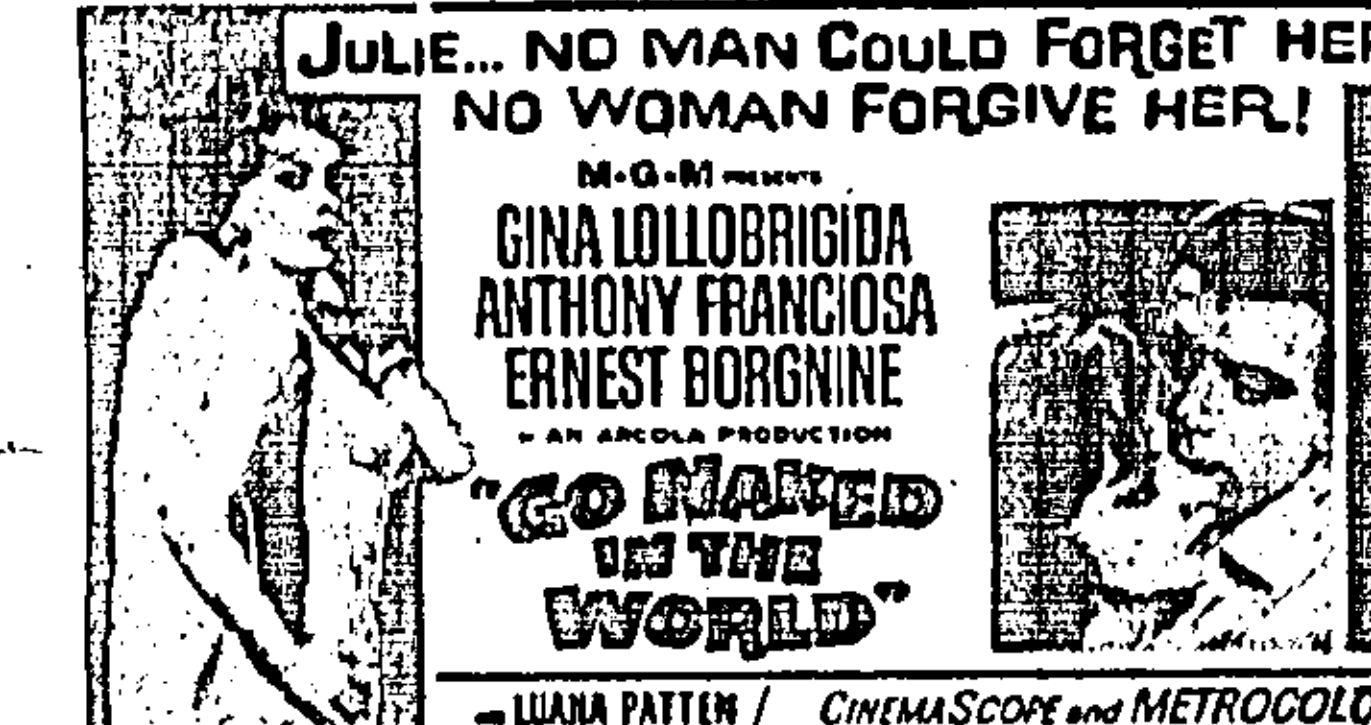
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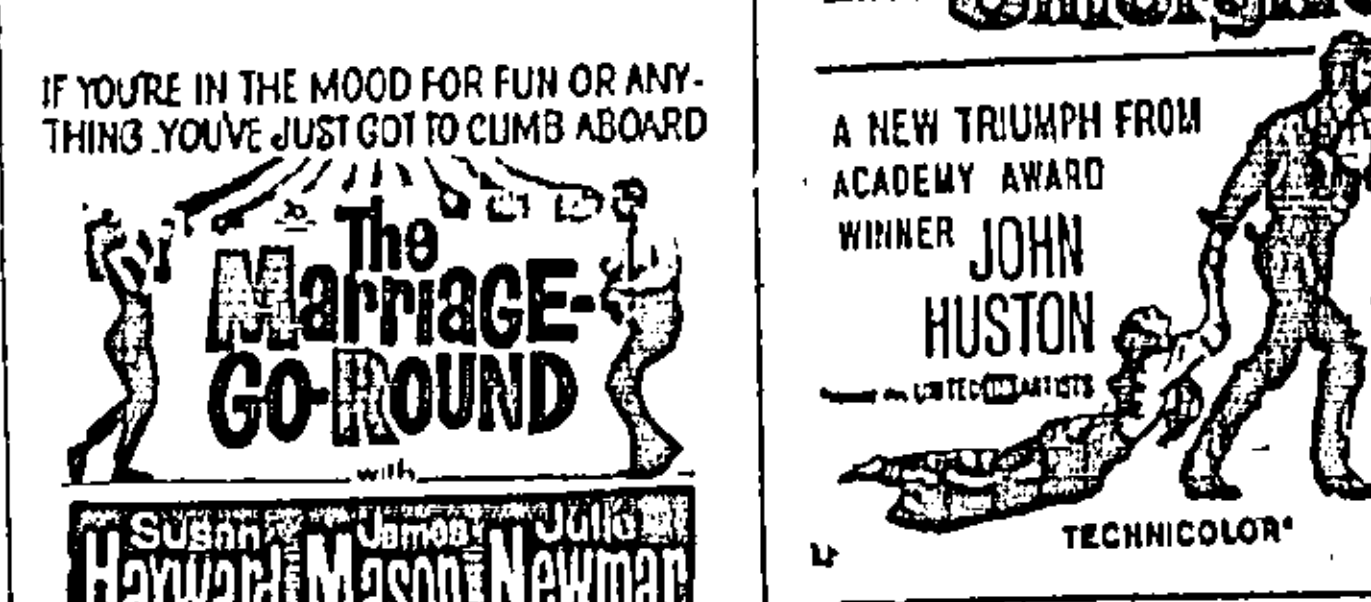


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NO-KNIFE SURGERY

America develops electronic device for the doctors

NEW YORK. SURGERY without a knife is only one of the bright promises of a small electronic device known as a "maser" which is being hailed as "the most interesting scientific development of the last decade."

So young that not all of its great potentialities have even been imagined yet, the maser picks up waves of energy (radio or light), dramatically increases their strength, and transfers them into intense, highly-compressed beams.

In one test, scientists produced a beam of light so powerful that it heated a piece of carbon into vapour in about one-millionth of a second. (Carbon vapourises at 7500 degree F.)

The beam also could be made so intense, the experts claim, that it could be focused through a hole 50 millionths of an inch in diameter.

Powerful beam

It was this special ability of the maser to create heat (light) in small areas that led one group of scientists to use the device for medical experiments.

They succeeded in destroying tumours on the retina in the back of the eyeball of a rabbit by focusing a powerful maser beam into the animal's eye. The lens of the eye then served to compress the light even more.

According to the scientists who worked on the experiment, the maser beam is not strong enough to harm the eye until it has passed beyond the eye's lens.

Smaller scars

And then the beam hits such a tiny spot on the retina for such a brief time (one-thousandth of a second) that it is considered to be medically safe and effective.

These medical scientists, known as the Technical

Research Group, also believe the same process could be employed to "spot weld" a detached retina.

Surgeons will be able to cauterise wounds in a split-second—thus producing much smaller scars.

The Technical Research Group is so optimistic about the future of the maser in medicine that they are planning to market their development within a few months. Their projected price is approximately £3,500 each.

—(London Express Service).

TALKING POINTS

"A constitutional statesman is a man of common opinions and uncommon abilities."

—WALTER BAGEHOT.

For what's a play with-out a woman in it?

—THOMAS KYD.

Governments are only strong when public opinion is definite and decided.

—WALTER BAGEHOT.

LIMELIGHT by Thomas Wiseman

Nutting (LATE OF THE F.O.) tells of life with the tycoon

LONDON. IT might almost be the subject of one of those comedies by the Boulting Brothers: the man from the Foreign Office becoming involved in the production of a Hollywood epic.

Mr Anthony Nutting, former Minister of State for Foreign Affairs in the Eden government, has just returned from Jordan where he negotiated with King Hussein the loan of a part of the Jordan army—1000 soldiers, 500 tribesmen—500 camels and 500 horses for Sam Spiegel's film of Lawrence of Arabia.

Though Spiegel is a Jew and an active supporter of Israel, Hussein and his Prime Minister apparently have no compunction about placing part of their armed forces at his disposal.

Though Nasser bans films made by actors who have raised money for Israel, he is apparently quite happy to place Cairo at Mr Spiegel's disposal.

His friends

Mr Nutting, like a true diplomat, denies that it is influence which is responsible for this benevolence on the part of the Arab leaders, though he admits that both Nasser and Hussein are old friends of his.

It is not too much to suppose that Mr Nutting knows something about secret diplomacy, an art in which Mr Spiegel is also well-versed.

How has the ex-Minister of State settled down in his new job as Director of Public Relations to Sam Spiegel?

By comparison with the Foreign Office, he says, the film business is "organised chaos," but he does not envisage having to resign from the Spiegel government.

The problems

He speaks of his new world with all the caution of a Foreign Office spokesman.

I invited him to compare the problems of working for a film

producer with the problems of working for a Prime Minister, suggesting that whereas the latter was of necessity a democrat, the former was usually something of a dictator.

Mr Nutting said that he would not necessarily agree that Mr Spiegel was a dictator. "But," he added, "the way to get on with a dictator is not to allow yourself to become a satellite."

Despite this philosophical approach to the film business, Mr Nutting does not anticipate remaining in it. He plans to go back into politics. To work in government was, he felt, more interesting than to work in films.

"As a Minister," he reflected, "you can hope to create history, working in films you can, at best, recreate it."

Mr O'Brien's had enough

NEXT year, after seven years as television's Wyatt Earp, Mr Hugh O'Brien will finally hang up his holster and move out of Dodge City.

THE MILLS FAMILY: NO STOPPING THEM!

THE remarkable Mills family continues to prosper. Fourteen-year-old Hayley Mills is starring in the film version of her mother's book, *Whistle Down the Wind*.

Now her sister, 18-year-old Juliet, has also gone into films. She has landed a leading role in the new Ralph Thomas-Betty Box comedy *Oh My Darling Doughty*, — playing a romantic role opposite Michael Craig. Sir Michael Redgrave plays her father.

Meanwhile the head of the family, John Mills, is being pushed in Hollywood as a possible Oscar nominee for his performance in *Tunes of Glory*.

It is a formidable family.

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Enough is plenty in this instance and Mr O'Brien now feels he would like to make an impact as an actor.

What sort of thing is he interested in? He was very keen to appear in a film about Barabbas written by Christopher Fry, but he didn't get the part.

"I'm not worried about the future," he declared. "I've made enough money as Wyatt Earp not to have to worry about making more. My needs are simple. I don't spend a lot. What I want to do now is to concern myself with more artistic things."

Improved—by his success

I CALLED the other day on Robert Shaw who has just had his biggest success as an actor in the Tony Richardson production of *The Changeling* at the Royal Court.

Mr Shaw has been a good actor for some years; this is the first time he has revealed himself as an outstanding one.

The moment of success comes to different people at different times, and Mr Shaw explained why he thought it had come to him now.

"Some people," he said, "are ruined by success and other people are improved by it. I am improved. As an actor, I

was always trying too hard. It was my success as a novelist that has enabled me to relax as an actor."

Shaw is the author of a novel called *The Hiding Place* which has earned him £10,000; if he sells the film rights, which seems a possibility just now, it will earn him a great deal more.

"The success of the novel," he said, "had a relaxing effect on me. It got rid of my financial problems and of the desperate need to make a success as an actor."

"Some people are at their best when they are desperate. I'm at my worst."

IN THE BATTLE between the old and the new waves in the theatre, Miss Dorothy Tutin is a neutral. "I think," she said, "that it is presumptuous to be contemptuous of any style of acting."

How much

will they cut?

WHEN Tony Richardson, who comes from Yorkshire, went to Hollywood to direct the film version of William Faulkner's steamy saga of the Deep South, *Sanctuary*, he had very clear ideas of how the film ought to be made.



LEE REMICK IN SANCTUARY

"It must have an atmosphere of heavy brooding eroticism," declared Richardson. To his surprise he discovered that the studio financing the project had only the vaguest notion of what Faulkner's story was about. They had probably been misled by the fact that the play, on which *Sanctuary* is partially based, was entitled *Requiem for a Nun*—and nuns, of course, are considered good box-office.

The studio executives were, I rather, somewhat distressed to find themselves with a film on their hands about a lady who is taken to work in a brothel by the man who has raped her.

The lady is played by Miss Lee Remick, but Mr Richardson is not sure how much of her performance has got past the censors.

—(London Express Service).

Just Fancy That!

TWENTY-FIVE schoolboys from Nottingham had their geography lesson in a helicopter. Object: to show them that gravel pits are not just an eyesore, but a necessity to the country's housing development, said a spokesman.



A PALE, beautiful Lady Beecham faced me across a desk covered deep with papers. "A mountain of work," she said. "What could I do?"

Just a few weeks after Sir Thomas Beecham's death, his 29-year-old widow was back at work in her small office close by a quiet Mayfair square.

In a corner of the room stood a bust of her husband. His features smiled and frowned from the walls. Outside, in an outer office, two girl secretaries typed busily.

"I had hoped to go away on the Continent for a month but I've had to come back here," she said. "When the work is done I'll go away."

One reason

Work means Sir Thomas's orchestra, the 80-strong Royal Philharmonic. When he died his widow decided that it should live on and she would continue as its manager. She was its administrator when Sir Thomas married her in Zurich in August 1959.

And life without Sir Thomas? "I need time to collect my thoughts. That is one reason I am going away. When I come back I'll carry on running the orchestra as before."

In her first job on the orchestra, she told me, would be to go down to Glyndebourne, where the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra will play for this summer's season of opera.

This task of helping in the preparation for the opera season has been a favourite of hers for some years past.

The world of Glyndebourne with its champagne among

Work to do—and Lady Beecham stays on to see it done

BY SYDNEY EDWARDS

the cowslips, is one that blends easily into the background of the remarkable but virtually unknown, woman Beecham married.

Her beauty, with a soft-spoken, gentle femininity, is her most striking feature. But she has much ability, too.

Her parents' home is a semi-detached house, with a little lawn in front, in a North London suburb.

Promoted

She began work in the offices of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra 10 years ago as Shirley Hudson, secretary. In 1955 she was promoted private secretary to Beecham. In January 1959 she became the orchestra's administrator. Now she is the only woman manager of a major world orchestra.

Of her work with the orchestra, Sir Thomas once said: "The orchestra is completely under her control. Not even I could interfere. I'd have my knuckles rapped. I only fill the humble

two sat there happily together receiving a stream of visitors, jokes all the time. The evening ended with the rather preposterous sight of Sir Thomas, grey in hand, writing his name on the wall—and now preserved under cellophane.

A paradox

Meeting and talking with Lady Beecham, it is not hard to understand why Beecham's last months were happy. There was a tremendous paradox about those days. The cosmopolitan, the man who knew Paris, New York, Vienna, Salzburg and London as a mar knows his home town, found happiness with a girl from Oakwood Park-road, Southgate N.14.

The road breathes the very essence of suburbia. A public park, dotted with football posts, is at the back, and the Underground railway runs close by. A neighbour has a poster for the local opera society's production of *The Gondoliers* in her front window.

Perhaps this homely street tells the last word about the man. In the final analysis for all his genius, he was a human being. He needed to be loved and cared for like us all.

And he found those qualities in the lovely girl from N.14.

—(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

FASHION

BARBARA GRIGGS reporting...

Ever tried to buy a square toe?

London. FASHION is a good servant but a perfectly beastly master: that's the bitter lesson British shoe firms are learning this spring.

As long as pointed toes were in, they were only too happy to promote them as top fashion news. (One I saw last week was still sunnily proclaiming the new pointed toe...) Now a new craze has sneaked up behind them and dotted them one over the head: and they don't like fashion any more.

Suddenly, their shops are filled with women demanding square-toed shoes; and most of them are obliged to admit that they just don't have any. (Meanwhile, at Charles Jourdan in Bond-street where the rush started back in December, it's standing room only, so many customers are queuing up for them.)

But behind the smooth facade of "I'm afraid we have no demand for them, madam," frantic behind-the-scenes activity is going on.

Trouble is, for a long time most shoe firms blantly refused to believe that square-toes were anything more than a passing gimmick: by the time they came to, precious months had ticked away.

LONG QUEUE

AND, since top manufacturers, almost without exception, go to the same firm of last-makers, the queue for the new wooden lasts they need before their own factories can start turning out more square toes, is lengthening, and jittery.

Saxone ordered their last November, and they have six styles in stock at present.

ONLY PAIR

BUT if you want them, you'd better be outside the door when it opens. Because it looks like being months before there are enough square-toed shoes to go round.

P.S.—If it's any consolation, the London-bought square toes that I wore in New York were the only pair I saw all the time I was there. And if I had a dollar for every time an envious woman asked, "WHERE can I buy shoes like

"WHERE can I buy shoes like

sears?" I might have come home with that milk after all.

A SALON WITH A DIFFERENCE

A COUTURE salon with week in Mayfair.

Couturier Roger Brines, starting with a small collection of about 15 or 20 models (he plans to add in from time to time) and a pretty, flared look, showed them all made up in dress-maker's toile—a rough cream-coloured fabric—instead of the customary beautiful wools and rich silks.

This, explains M. Brines, has two advantages from the customer's point of view. First, it's easier for them to decide on the colour and fabric they want for themselves when they're not being influenced by the rich plum velvet of the original.

Second—and much more interesting, it keeps prices lower, provided the material for the original collection is one of a couture house's biggest expenses.

M. Brines, who worked with Digby Morton for 17 years till the house was closed in 1957, has worked in between for a wholesale house, but missed the personal contact with clients.

Incidentally, he may have started something. The models in these striking cream outfits, with burnt straw hats and coral and gold jewellery, were a very cool sight indeed.

And the curtains, made just for the opening in the same fabric, are an idea I intend to copy at once for my own flat.

FOR DRAMA, MARIE-LISE LIKES

THE SLINKY, INFORMAL LOOK

MARIE-LISE GRES knows how to make a dramatic entrance. This French girl, who at 22, with her willowy shape and amusing Left Bank looks is a current photographer's dream, has her next entrance—a film premiere—already

planned. Blithely disregarding the white-fox-and-dazzling evening dress tradition, Marie-Lise has settled on a pair of slinky treads and matching shirt made of very cool little lace—an O'Keefe outfit bought last summer before she

went on holiday—plus little white broderie anglaise slippers from Dolcis.

Nervous about this get-up for mingling in the crush bar with the tiaras and rhinestones? "Not a bit," says Marie-Lise. "I know what I like and one of the things I DON'T like is formal evening dress."



PICTURE BY NORMAN CALDS

JACOBY on BRIDGE

WHILE most deceptive plays are made from the closed hand there are many opportunities to confuse the defence by the right play from dummy.

After North's opening no-trump bid, South can use the scientific method and try to get to seven or he can simply leap to six hearts and let West guess the opening lead.

According to Fred Karpin, South decided on the leap, but West was casual to the occasion. He opened the three of spades! If South could have seen all the cards he would have gone

NORTH (D)		21	
♠K1085			
♥KQ2			
♦AK9			
♣K104			
WEST		EAST	
♠A73		♠Q064	
♥J4		♥7	
♦Q107654		♦J32	
♣3		♣Q975	
SOUTH			
♠J2			
♥AQ10053			
♦None			
♣AJB2			
Both vulnerable			
North	East	South	West
1NT.	Pass	0	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♠3			

right up with dummy's king, but no one can blame South for playing a low spade from Dummy. Fred doesn't blame him for that, but he points out that South played the wrong low spade. He played the five spot!

East thought a long time and finally went up with the queen of spades. When it held the trick, he returned the suit and South was down one.

Fred points out that South should have played dummy's eight. East might still have gone up with the queen, but the chances are that East would have reasoned that South held something like ace-deuce, not jack-deuce of spades and that the nine spot would be his best play.

CARD SERVICE

Q—The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1	Pass	1	Pass
3	Pass	?	Pass

You, South, hold:

♠KJ805 ♥K2 ♦Q54 ♣J07

What do you do?

A—Bid four hearts. Your king-deuce are sufficient trump support after your partner's jump rebid.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Again you respond one spade to your partner's one heart opening. He rebids to one no-trump. You hold:

♠KJ805 ♥K32 ♦A854 ♣6

What do you bid?

ANSWER TOMORROW

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Knarf's Indoor Walk

—It Takes Him All Through The House—

By MAX TRELL

STANDING by the window with his nose pressed against the glass, Knarf watched the rain come down.

The drops ran down the windowpane in winding rivers. They fell in the street. They fell on the lawns. They fell on umbrellas and slid off the sides.

They fell and they fell, and when they got through falling, more of them came and fell and fell. There were puddles of them.

He'll take a walk

"I'm going to take a walk," said Knarf to himself as he stood by the window. But he must have said those words aloud because Dunkle, the Poodle, pricked up her ears and said:

"What?"

It sounded like a bark.

And the Cat, napping in the corner, sat up and said:

"What?"

It sounded like a mew.

And the Cuckoo in the clock looked out, and the Canary in his cage peered out, and Alphonse and Suzanne, the two Goldfish, stared out of the window of their water-house, and they all said:

Many sounds

It sounded like whistles and chirps and glubs.

Knarf turned around and smiled. He smiled at Dunkle, and at the Cat, and at the Cuckoo, and at the Canary, and at Alphonse and Suzanne.

"But," he said, still smiling, "I'm not going out in the rain!"

"Oh!" said everybody, barking and mewling and whistling and chirping and glubbing all together.

"No," said Knarf. "I'm going to walk right here, right in my house. Because a walk is a walk no matter where you walk."

Then he asked: "Who wants to walk with me?"

Dunkle wants to go

"I do!" barked Dunkle, springing to her feet and wagging her tail.

"I do!" meowed the Cat, slowly stretching herself and yawning.

"I do!" said Mrs Cuckoo, and Enrico Canary, and Alphonse and Suzanne. Only none of them could go. Mrs Cuckoo couldn't leave her clock, Enrico Canary couldn't get out of his

rage. Alphonse and Suzanne didn't dare to jump out of their tank.

Then Knarf walked around the room.

Dunkle walked by his side. She looked up. She looked down. She sniffed. She barked.

The Cat lifted her feet delicately as though she were walking on eggs. She didn't make a sound. She was purring. But Knarf couldn't hear her.

Passed geranium

Knarf walked past the geranium standing in its red clay pot. He nodded and said:

"Good morning, Gery! How do you feel this morning?"

And the geranium waved the ends of its leaves and nodded its red blossom.

Then Knarf walked past the bookcase. He smiled at the books on the shelves.

"Good morning, Mother Goose!" he said. "Good morning, Cinderella! Good morning, Alice in Wonderland, and Heidi, and Little Bo Peep, and Jack Spratt!"

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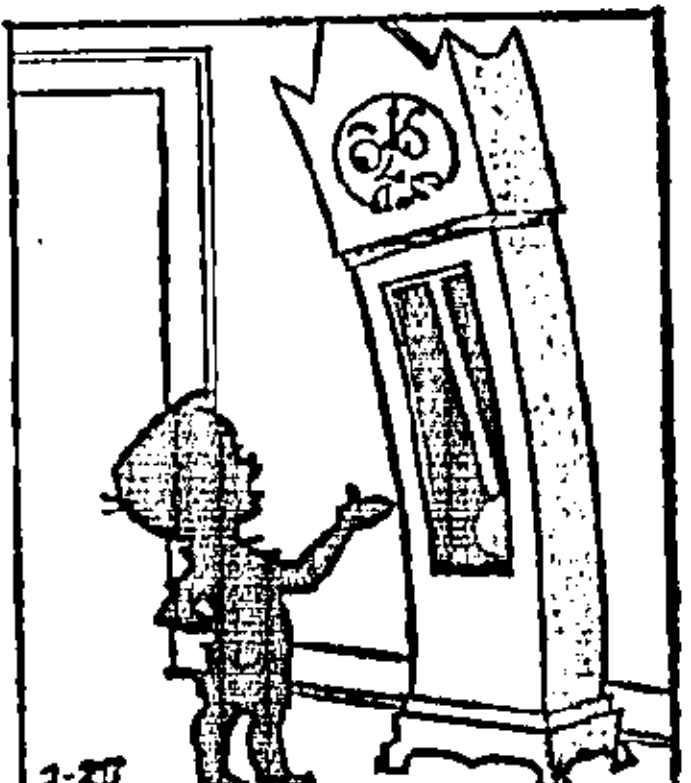
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"What?"



"Take a walk with me, old Grandfather Clock," said Knarf.

smiled with its face and waved with its hands.

Then Knarf walked through the kitchen.

Greets everyone

"Hello, Stove! Hello, Knives and Forks and Spoons and Nappies and Salt and Pepper and Plates and Glasses! Hello, Cupst. Hello, Saucepan. Hello, Hot Water and Cold Water! Hello, Sink! Hello, Soap! Hello, Pots and Pans! Hello, Icebox! Hello, Broom! I'm taking a walk. And Dunkle, and the Cat are walking with me, and so may you!"

They all wished Knarf and Dunkle and the Cat a very pleasant walk. But none of them could go, although the cold water tried and splashed out of the sink, and the frying pan tried and banged against the wall.

Then Knarf and Dunkle the Cat walked through the hall.

Knarf looked into a closet.

Invites shoes

"Good morning, Shoes. Won't you come for a walk?"

"We can't walk without feet," replied the left shoe and the right shoe.

"Good morning, Overcoat!" said Knarf. "Good morning, Hat! I'm taking a walk!"

"Good morning, Knarf," said the overcoat, and it bowed.

"Good morning, Knarf," said the Hat, and it tipped.

Through the house

All through the house walked Knarf and Dunkle, the Poodle, and the Cat. Knarf greeted everyone and everyone greeted Knarf.

"Good morning, Bell," said Knarf when he reached the end of the hall. And the bell was so happy that it rang.

And that was the inside-walk that Knarf took with his friends Dunkle and the Cat because the outside-walk was too crowded with raindrops.

MEN ARE GETTING FASHION CONSCIOUS

London. A man can dress like the City gent with his pinstripe suit and bowler. Or he might dress more like the teddy boy.

But they're both individuals and they will both be borrowing, this season, an idea from women's fashion—the Continental influence in knitwear.

With their chunky-knit wool sweaters it seems nothing can be too bold or too bright. Purple is going to be popular this summer—with every sign that greens, browns and bronzes will come along later.

Men will carry these colours in plain-backed sweaters with striped sleeves, fronts and inset panels, and new high necklines—which dispense with the need for ties. (Bainwear and Rothsay Knitwear).

Casual wear—one of the most widely differing items of male attire in recent years—will bring sleekness without turn-ups in most cases, and these, too, will reflect Continental influence. One firm is offering sleekness in Italian checked wool fabrics, or in British printed checks. Fabrics also featuring the sleek will be an-zips at both sides, thereby giving extra room for easy, comfortable driving.

Party pants

Men who take their TV cowboy-viewing seriously may soon be sporting western slacks made from checked wool travelling rugs! They're called barbecue party pants. But, more seriously, the firm featuring these also shows slacks in many other materials, and notably in soft wool doekin in olive green, sand, or brown. (M. Beckman (Embee) Ltd).

As a guide to what the well-dressed man should wear during the summer, one Regent Street firm (Hector Powe) has sports jackets with the new "natural" shoulderline. These also have slightly wider lapels and single-breasted three-button fastenings, (which are also to be seen in lounge suits for next autumn). An exclusive line of this house is a boucle wool jacket made in olive/black, blue/black, and brown/black.

Tapered 'look

Most men's overcoats are short now, and even the conventional double-breasted city coats have lost an inch or two off the hemlines. One of the finest 'shortie' coats I have seen is in off-white and ginger. It is a wool 'autocool' which has a dogtooth patterned lambwool. It is entirely hand-stitched. (Chester Barrie)

"Shops within shops" have long been a feature of London stores, but these have invariably stocked women's wear only. Now a Leeds firm (Joseph May

& Co Ltd) is following suit with men's wear, and it has some interesting predictions. Two-piece suits will be popular again. These will be in deep olive, bronze green, dark blue, and brown/black, and cloth patterns will include fine flecks of gold! There will be plenty of checks, over-checks, and stripes. Solid Scotch wool tweeds (also checked) will be prominent in overcoats, too. So will West of England wool tweeds and dogtooth-patterned clothes. Construction and materials will make suits at least two ounces lighter, and a member of the firm tells me: "Topcoats will also have less fullness in the skirt to give a slimmer line."

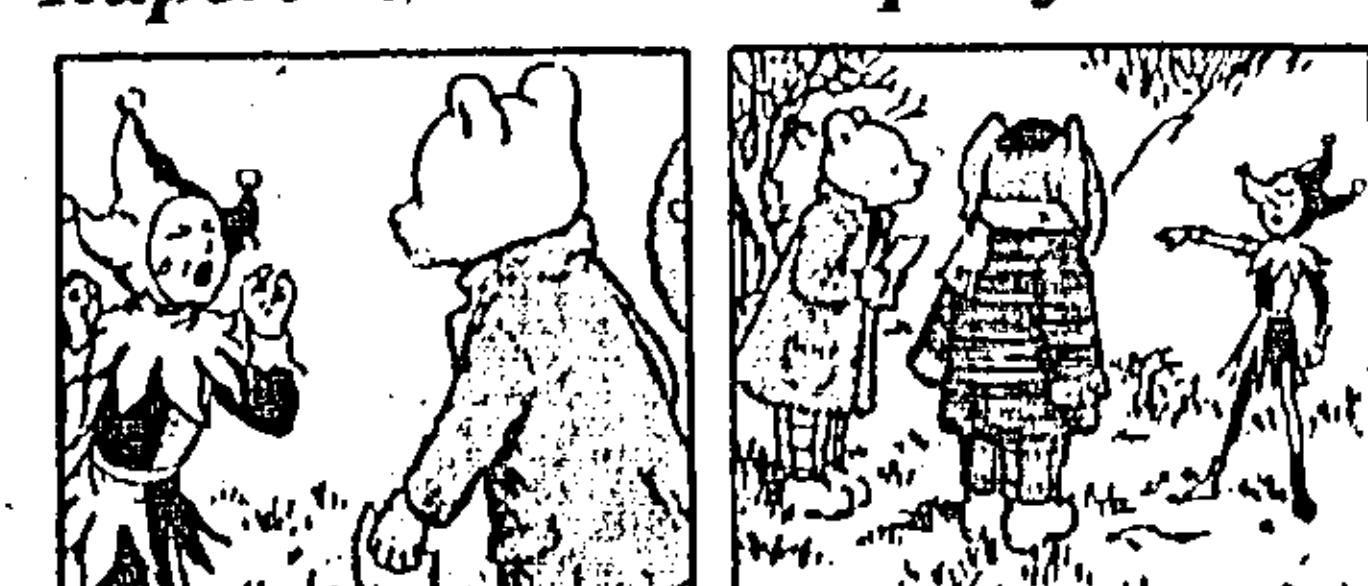
If that doesn't sound like a line from a woman's magazine, I don't know what does!

by Jean Wiseman

Finally, a German firm selling in London (Odermark models from Suitwell) emphasizes the tapered look, which includes fitted waistlines and sleek, vented, and gives a general slim appearance to the wearer. Even men's dress gowns are shorter. They are entering the fashion field in plain and brushed wools, checked or striped fabrics. (Owen Green).

These unexpected signs of fashion-consciousness among men should be encouraged by wives and girlfriends everywhere. It will make us all feel that it's really worth while dressing up—even for the most casual occasion.

Rupert and the Paper-fall—20



Edward holds the little stranger for a minute. "Now then, calm down," he says. "And if you want that paper speak politely to my pal Rupert." "Oh dear, what shall you be?" cries the little stranger, still very annoyed. "That paper belongs to us. And we're working for your good anyway."

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LADY LUCK your CHINA MAIL horoscope

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Swallow your pride and patch up your quarrel with a relative before the rest of the family start taking sides.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): A proposition with which you will be approached will have decided appeal for you, and if you can spare the time and money, give it a try.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Do your best to finish an irksome job today, no matter how much time you may have to divert from other activities.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't neglect to get in touch with a distant friend who may be waiting anxiously to hear from you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): An influential relative will have a change of heart, and if you take advantage of it, your long delayed hopes may soon materialize.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): A remark casually overheard will put you on the track of an old friend whose whereabouts you have been vainly trying to locate.

LEO (July 22-August 21): A slight argument could develop into a serious quarrel, unless you curb your tendency to use harsh words.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): An idea which you had abandoned as hopeless may crop up again, and this time you have a better chance of making it work.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): A journey combining business with pleasure should be very carefully planned, in order to get the most out of your limited time.

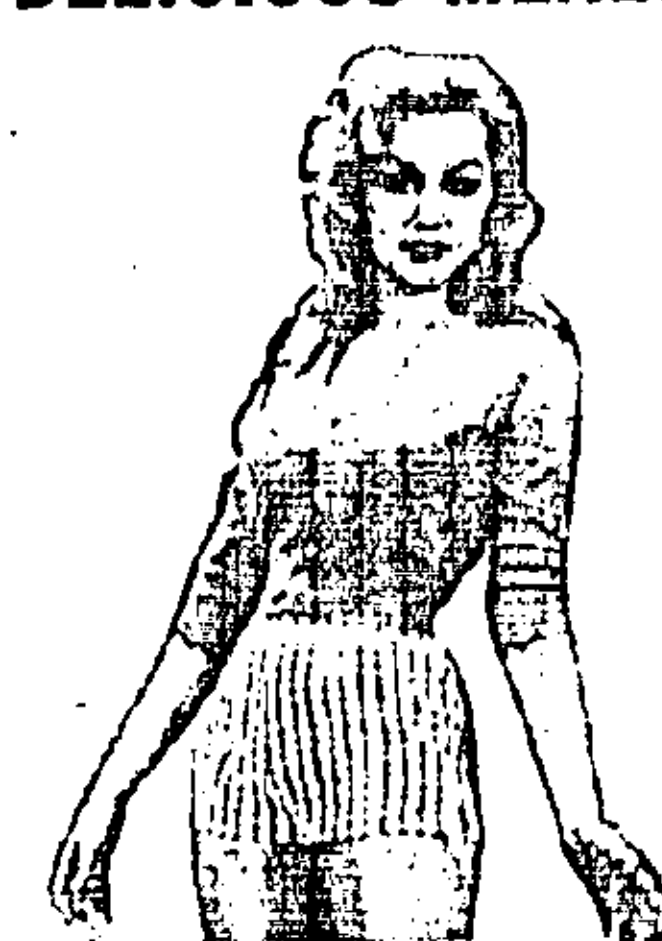
SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): No matter how much you may be in need of companionship, don't lower your standards when choosing new friends.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Avoid making an important purchase on the strength of persuasive salesmanship. Hold out until you find what you want at a price you can afford.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): If you will approach a more crowded routine with the determination not to let it upset you, you will find ways and means of coping with it.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If this is your birthday, although your financial position may not improve to any great extent in the coming year, you will be able to indulge in an additional luxury you have long craved.

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No upsets on second day of World Table Tennis

JAPAN, CHINA SET THE PACE

PALMER, ROSBURG SHARE

U.S. MASTERS

GOLF TOURNAMENT LEAD

Augusta, Apr. 6. Arnold Palmer, defending champion, and Bob Rosburg were joint leaders after the first round of the U.S. Masters' Golf Tournament here today.

Each shot a 4-under-par 68 on a wet, uncomfortable day when par at the Augusta National resisted all but a few efforts to break it.

Palmer, whose birdies in the last two holes of the final round a year ago brought his second Masters title, was out in front all the way today. Starting with a birdie on the second hole he posted a steady string of the red figures that indicated under par totals on the 18-hole scoreboard.

Unorthodox grip

Rosburg, who uses an unorthodox grip, got his 68 by shooting birdies on four of the last six holes, one on a 100-foot putt. Up to that time he had been shooting even par and was hardly rated one of the first round contenders.

These two were only a stroke ahead of Gary Player, the slight but strong South African who says he has added 25 yards to the distance of his drives since last year. Two strokes back at 70 was Jack Nicklaus.

New golf award in honour of Walter Hagen

London, Apr. 6. An international golfing award named in honour of former champion Walter Hagen—was announced simultaneously here and in New York today.

It will be awarded to the person who each year is considered to have done most for international golf.

The award will be sponsored by a British club and will be administered by the Golf Writers' Association of America, who each year will nominate possible recipients.—Reuter.

Cricket record by 12-year-old schoolboy

Brisbane, Apr. 6. Trevor Elbach, 12-year-old schoolboy cricketer from Gayndah State School, has a cricket performance which could be a world record.

Gayndah is 232 miles north-west of Brisbane. In three successive matches Trevor took hat-tricks—twice, he took four wickets with four successive balls.

Widened, the world cricket authority, has records of bowlers taking two hat-tricks in one innings but shows no record to equal that by Trevor.

Trevor describes himself as a medium-pace bowler who "just bowls at the wickets." — China Mail Special.

Four decisive straight wins by each country in Swaythling Cup so far

Peking, Apr. 7.

Japan, the holders, and China, the host nation, appear to be emerging as the two leading teams in the Swaythling Cup men's event in the World Table Tennis Championships here.

The crack Japanese trio of Ichiro Ogimura, Nobuya Hoshino and Teruo Murakami, whose impressive record here so far is four straight wins with a games tally of 20-1, should gain two more clear-cut victories in Group C today when they oppose North Korea, in the afternoon session, and Brazil at night.

So far, the Koreans' only success has been against Brazil whom they beat 5-4. Brazil's one victory was against New Zealand, by 5-2.

First big test

China, heading Group A with four successive 5-0 triumphs, face their first test today when they oppose West Germany, who are second in the Group with four wins and a games record of 20-3.

The West Germans beat the formidable Czechoslovakian side last night by 3-0 after a gruelling battle lasting three hours 10 minutes.

China's victims yesterday were Burma and Ecuador. The Chinese team, led by world singles champion Junz Kuotuan, have yet to concede a set in the Championships.

Japan, who yesterday beat both Cuba and the Soviet Union by 5-0, are being challenged by Yugoslavia in Group C. The Yugoslavians, who have four wins and games score of 20-3, meet Japan on Saturday in a match which will almost certainly decide group honours.

Highlight

In the other section, Group B, European champions Hungary and Sweden are the only unbeaten teams.

Though Japan beat the young Russians yesterday the match was much closer than suggested by the score. One of the highlights came when Murakami was forced to concede a set to Nikolai Novikov, a 18-year-old

Russian student. The huge arena rang with cheers at Novikov's success but Murakami, who had the distinction of being the only man not to concede a set in the Swaythling event at Dortmund two years ago, rallied to win 10-21, 21-13.

Japan completed a double over the Soviet Union last night as their women's team beat the Russians 3-0. Both matches provided excellent entertainment but the sympathy of the capacity crowd was decidedly on the side of the Soviet Union.

Also unbeaten

Japan and England, both with 3-0 wins and a games tally of 9-0, share the lead in Group C of the Corbillion event, as the competition entered its third day today.

In Group A Hungary and Rumania are undefeated, and in Group B Czechoslovakia and China are setting the pace with unbeaten records.

Today, Japan play Ghana and Sweden, neither of whom has much of a record so far.

Singapore found their feet yesterday, scoring good wins over New Zealand and Cuba to move up to take fifth place among the nine teams in the strong Group C of the Swaythling Cup. Today, Singapore meet the Russians and England.

Standings

Peking, April 6.
Team standings after two days of play in the World

Table Tennis Championships

here today are:

SWAYTHLING CUP

Group A

China	W	L	F	A
China	4	0	20	3
West Germany	3	1	15	8
East Germany	3	2	22	10
Czechoslovakia	2	3	12	17
Ghana	1	3	9	15
Burma	1	3	9	15
India	1	3	9	15
Nepal	0	3	9	15
Mongolia	0	3	9	15

Group B

Hungary	W	L	F	A
Hungary	3	0	15	2
Sweden	3	0	15	2
Rumania	2	2	12	13
Denmark	2	2	12	13
Poland	1	3	9	15
Nigeria	1	3	9	15
North Vietnam	1	3	9	15
Australia	0	4	7	20

Group C

Japan	W	L	F	A
Japan	4	0	20	3
Yugoslavia	3	1	16	7
England	3	1	16	7
Czechoslovakia	2	2	12	11
Singapore	2	2	12	11
North Korea	2	2	12	11
New Zealand	0	4	3	20
Cuba	0	4	3	20

CORBILION CUP

Group A

Rumania	W	L	F	A
Rumania	3	0	8	1
Hungary	3	0	8	1
East Germany	1	1	3	3
Poland	1	1	3	3
West Germany	0	3	0	3
Mongolia	0	3	0	3

Group B

Czechoslovakia	W	L	F	A
Czechoslovakia	3	0	8	1
China	3	0	8	1
France	0	1	0	3
Australia	1	2	3	3
Nepal	0	3	0	3

Group C

Japan	W	L	F	A
Japan	3	0	8	1
England	3	0	8	1
Sweden	1	2	4	4
New Zealand	1	2	4	4
North Vietnam	0	3	0	3
Ghana	0	3	0	3

—Reuter.

ITTF president to compete

Peking, Apr. 6.

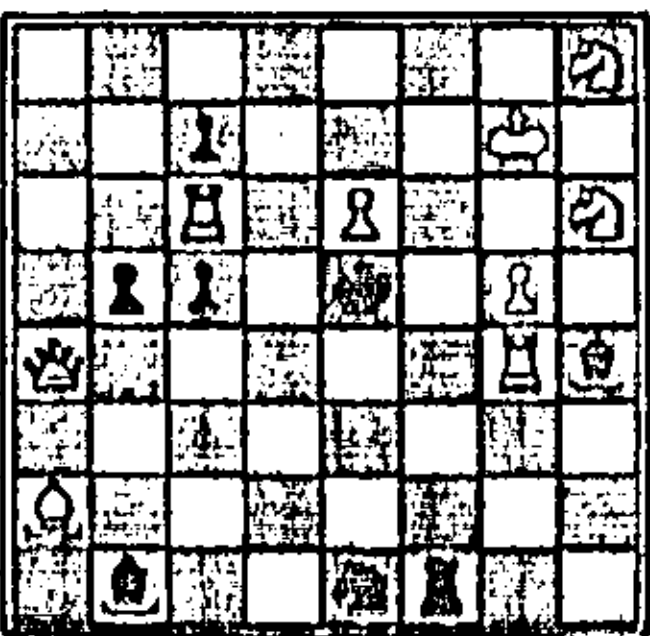
Ivor Montagu, President of the International Table Tennis Federation will compete in the Jubilee Cup event at the Peking World Table Tennis Championships, it was announced here today.

Montagu, 57, is out to show the world his rich experience in table tennis.

A circular issued by the Organising Committee today said that Montagu had drawn a bye in the first round, and would meet D. G. Hathinram, coach of the Ghanaian team in the second round on April 13. — AFP.

CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a problem by G. Popov (Chess, 1958). White to play and mate in two moves.
Solution: 1. B-K7 ch, Kx7; 2. R-K7 (B5)—R6, Qx7; 3. R-K8 ch, R-K7; 4. R-R mate.

London Express Service.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY SERIES

Portugal score comfortable win over England

By "NUMPERE"

Portugal beat England by 4-1 in the Men's International hockey series at Recreo last evening. The team representing Portugal was composed of seven players from Macaensis and four from Recreo whilst England's team consisted wholly of Army players!

Unfortunately it started raining just after the half-time and continued throughout, gradually increasing in intensity and making conditions underfoot very slippery. Had it remained dry Portugal might have won by an even greater margin with their obviously stronger forward line.

The England forwards apart from Holmes and Turner were slow by comparison but were shown to greater advantage during the second half when they were reinforced by Harris.

In fact during a large part of this period they were constantly on the attack but found a way through the strong Portuguese defence only once.

Took the lead

The game was only five minutes old when Portugal took the lead. Cunha started the movement, working his way upfield before passing to centre-forward Sequiera who sent the ball through for Guterres to cut in and score.

For some minutes following this there was very little excitement. Both defences were clearing hard upfield far in advance of their forwards, and there was almost a succession of 16-yard hits.

It was not until the 25th minute that there was any further score when Portugal increased their lead. Guterres went through and shot but England's left-back Richards could only parry the shot and Sequiera, following up, flicked the ball into the net off Richards.

There was no further score. England continued to hold the initiative and Sequiera saved the initiative in quick succession from Turner and Elwood. A third then, shortly afterwards a Harris shot hit the post and went behind.

However, in the 63rd minute Portugal broke away through right-winger Colloco who ran right through and sent a beautiful pass through to Sequiera who only had to push it into the net to complete his hat-trick.

Portugal emerged comfortable winners at the final whistle and with this strong side must be fancied to win the tournament.

The teams

Portugal: Z. Sequiera, Monteiro, A. Capitulo, Valoma, Costa, R. A. Silva, Colloco, Cunha, L. Sequiera, L. Guterres, Sa' Silva.

England: Fearn, Norman, Richards, Beckett, Holmes, Bowell, Gilmore, Harris, Elwood, Turner, Arundel.

In the replayed Malaya versus Wales match at King's Park Malaya emerged winners by 3-0. They led 1-0 at half-time with a goal from T. Hussein, and in the second half Hussein added another and O. K. Dallah scored the third.

On Saturday at King's Park there are two matches in the Ladies' International series. England vs Commonwealth and Scotland vs Portugal.

Sunday is of course a big day, with the playoff for the second division championship between Prisons and R.A.F. and the Holland Cup final between Recreo and Army. A very entertaining afternoon's hockey should be seen at King's Park.

Curvis wants to be Joe Brown's sparring partner

London, Apr. 6.

Brian Curvis, who puts his British and Commonwealth titles at stake against Wally Swift at Nottingham next month, has offered his services to world lightweight champion Joe Brown who arrives in London tomorrow to prepare for his fight against Dave Charnley at Earls Court on April 18.

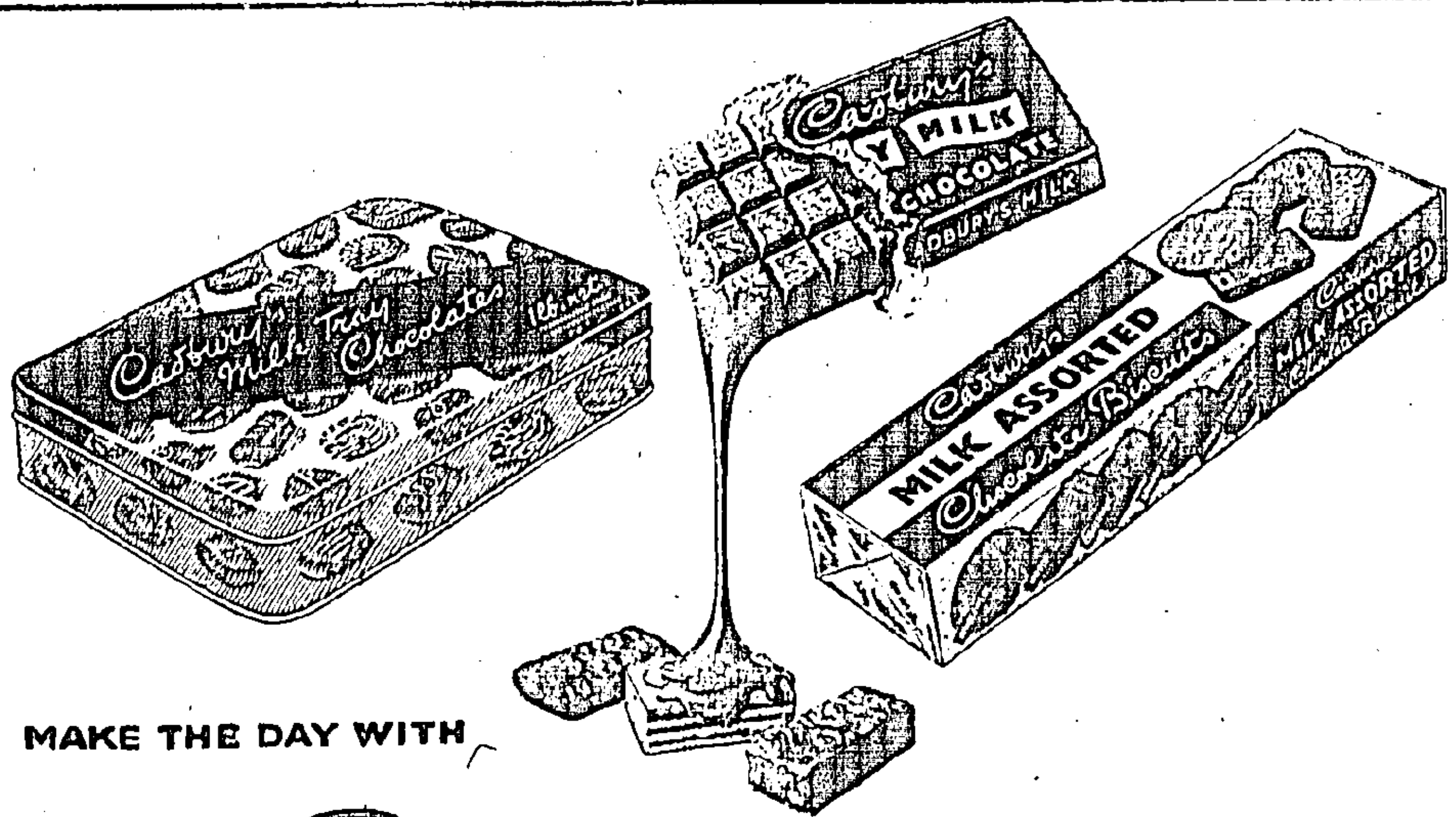
"It isn't very often that you get the chance to spar with a man like Brown," said Curvis when his Swansea friend today. "I can't think of anyone who could provide me with such this experience. And, anyway, I will shortly have to start serious training myself for the fight on May 7."

His brother and manager, Cliff, who is in London for discussions with promoter Jack Solomon about Brian's scheduled contest at Nulian Park, Cardiff, in June, said: "We sincerely hope that Curvis wins the world title—but chances like working with Brown don't come every day. Curvis had originally been scheduled to fight Benny 'Big' Hart (Cuba) for the world

John Charles to play for Wales in World Cup

London, Apr. 6.

The Italian soccer club Juventus today changed its mind and released John Charles to play for Wales in a World Cup preliminary match. The Welsh selectors announced Juventus' decision and said the big centre-forward will be in the Welsh team to play Spain at Cardiff on April 19. — AFP.



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